

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

David E. Aspnes et al.

Application No.: 10/653,306

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For: BROADBAND SPECTROSCOPIC
ROTATING COMPENSATOR
ELLIPSOMETER

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
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Dated: 07/7/2004

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Georgia K. Smith

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2004, Applicants request
reconsideration for the following reasons.

In the Office Action, claims 50-70 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of
obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-14 of U.S. Patent
No. 6,650,415. In response, Applicants have filed a terminal disclaimer with respect to U.S.
Patent No. 6,650,415. In view of the above, it is believed that the case is now in condition for
allowance and early action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Transmittal herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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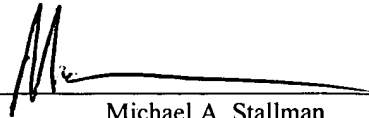
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- ☐ Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), as may be required, to file this response.

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